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$450 Tuition Increase Coming

By JIM LABE

For the twelfth consecutive year, the Board of Trustees of Middlebury College has decided to raise the comprehensive student fee. Although the decision is not yet official, College President Olin Robison is expected to formally make the announcement sometime this week.

The **Campus** has learned that the amount of the increase is $450. The new comprehensive fee for the 1977-1978 academic year will be $5750, which represents a 8.5% increase over this year's comprehensive fee.

"It's unfortunate, but it's a fact of life that tuition will go up each year, every single year" said T. Richardson Miner, Assistant to the President. College President Robison, who made the initial request for the increased fee, is away on a business trip and could not be reached for comment.

Arnold LaForce, chairman of the Board of Trustees, said the main reason for the increased fee is "the general trend of inflation and higher costs." He cited the soaring costs of energy and food as the primary factors on which the $450 increase was based.

LaForce went on to say that the increased fee "still leaves us in the middle of the pack." In other words, our tuition fee is average compared to the tuition fees of other liberal arts colleges. Several other colleges such as Williams College and Brown University have either already announced tuition hikes or are in the process of considering them.

President Robison recommended the comprehensive fee increase to the Board of Trustees at their last meeting, where it was approved. The College reportedly requested this year's raise for the same reason that the fee had to be raised $500 last year.

According to Trustee Hilton H. Wick, the Board approved the fee increase in order "to protect the college." The general five to six percent rise in the consumer price index, as well as the spiraling costs of energy, food, and wages have all necessitated the rise, if Middlebury is to continue its current level of education.

College Treasurer Caroll Rikert refused to discuss in any detail what major rising costs influenced the administration to request a rise in the comprehensive fee.

With the exception of the 1965-1966 academic year, the comprehensive student fee at Middlebury has continued to rise since 1960. In 1960 the comprehensive fee was $1960, and in 1977 it will be $5750. In a period of time less than twenty years, the comprehensive fee has more than doubled.

According to a report prepared by Scott Markus '77, institutions such as Middlebury have restricted tuition increases as much as possible for fear of reduced enrollment, but have been unable to offset cost increases through the introduction of greater productivity.

This is because the colleges and universities depend heavily on professors to perform educational services, and thus operating with fairly fixed production techniques. There is a limit to the efficiency which can be derived under such a system.

Middlebury has been caught in this "squeeze" and there appears to be no way out. The reliable report estimates that there will be another comprehensive fee increase next year, which should bring the tuition for the 1978-1979 academic year to $6070. It has become a nation-wide dilemma with private colleges.

Spencer Named Permanent Dean of the College

Dean of the College, John Spencer

By JIM LABE

Acting Dean of the College John Spencer has been appointed to serve as permanent Dean of the College for the next three years. College President Olin Robison made the appointment this past week in a letter to Spencer. The formal announcement of Spencer's appointment will be released this week.

Last May, Robison temporarily appointed Spencer as Dean of the College when reorganizing the college administration. Spencer succeeded Dennis O'Brien, who left the position to become President of Bucknell College.

At that time, Robison said that he would "probably seek out applicants from outside the College community" for a permanent appointment to the position.

Spencer first came to Middlebury in September 1974. He was an instructor in history until becoming an assistant professor of history in April 1975.

Spencer graduated from Princeton University in 1953 and received his Master's degree and his Ph.D. from Columbia University.

For several years he served in the U.S. Marine Corps and worked six years for the National Sugar Company. He went on a traveling fellowship to Africa from 1962 to 1964 and later served as a Peace Corps consultant in Africa. He was also involved for a brief time with the Ford Foundation on David Rockefeller's private staff.

Forum Discusses Pass/Fail Issue

By CAROL HUBREGSEN

"This is a very modest proposal. If you couldn't live with this, Jesus."

Assistant Dean of Students Karl L. Lindholm made this comment at the Student Forum meeting Sunday night referring to the proposed institution of a pass-fail option at Middlebury College. Despite his attitude and the overwhelming support of over fifty people drawn to the meeting, several objections and doubts were discussed. The Forum, who designed the meeting only to allow students the opportunity to discuss the issue, did not try to reach any decision at that time.

The proposal supported allows students the choice of taking one course out of four or one out of five on a pass-fail grading system or no pass-fails. Only six p/f classes in four years can be taken and a person can not take a p/f course required by his major. A, B, C, are pass, D and F are fail. The intentions stated are to relieve academic pressure at Middlebury and to encourage students to try new areas.

Though this was the scheme supported, the original proposal which came out of a Forum working group in early December had one major modification. Professors would grade all students on a letter basis. These grades are later sent to Old Chapel where the administration converts them to pass-fail for those students who selected the option at registration. These grades would remain buried in school records unless a student needed the letter grade for graduate schools or decided to switch his major.

Walter A. Moyer, director of the Career Counseling and Placement office, spoke to the Forum before Christmas vacation on the disadvantages of submitting pass/fail grades to graduate schools who usually dismiss them or require additional information on the individual's performances in those classes. Since students often are unsure about graduate school or their major, this modification was designed to eliminate both problems. If the grade was needed, it could be res urrected from school records.

Though the grade may be hidden, it still exists. This was the objection of several Forum members and observers. Unless there are not grades at all, "the current proposal is not really a pass-fail option," argued Barb Kritchevsky. Many saw this inclusion as "self-defeating."

Several Forum members and observers, however, still argued that most students did not really decide definitely on their major or graduate school until well after they could have hurt themselves by pass-fail courses. Frank Sesno replied, "Those applying to grad schools should realize what they need, but others should be entitled to a choice." Jon Shad who was a major spokesman for pass-fail saw the excercise or non-excercise of this option as a very basic, individual decision. "I am frustrated listening to representatives decide for me.....Not a Forum like this or anyone should decide how we should handle our own educations."

The two other major concerns expressed were crowding in the classroom and the deterioration of the quality of the courses at Middlebury as a consequence of pass-fail. Several students argued that a pass-fail grading system invited substandard performance and that p/f students would be unlikely to prepare as well for discussions.

Jon Glass spoke for several, objecting to the assumption, "that Middlebury studentsare looking for the easy way out," and Tom Wolfe reacted, "A lot of people here are concerned not with representing the student, but the student's own conscience. I'll handle my own, thanks. And I won't have anybody guess how hard I will or won't work." It was also pointed out that this objection again ignores the purpose of pass-fail, to encourage expansion into different areas. Hopefully, some argued, interest in a new course encourages effort of a different kind.

Dean McKinney did not see overcrowding as a problem unless pass-fail was restricted to one out of five courses only. Jeff Keffer suggested that pass-fail might work to channel people into divisions that need more students, like science courses, by relieving grade pressure.

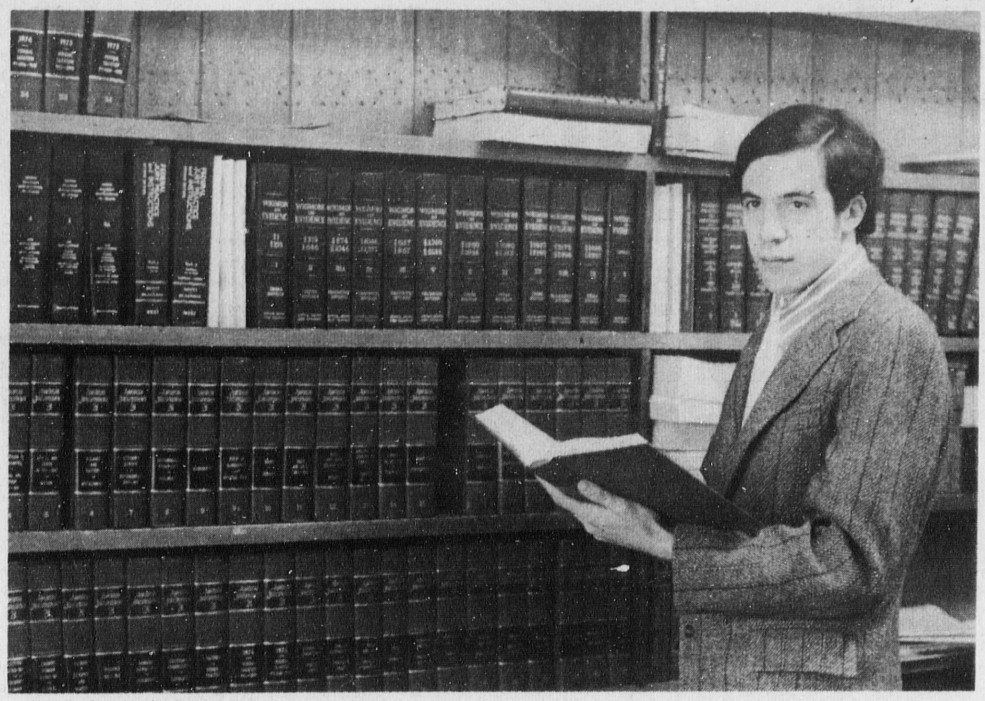
Deans McKinney, Wonnacott and Lindholm said that they saw certain administrative problems that would have to be worked out with any pass-fail system. They felt that any difficulties were soluble, however, and basically approved. The Forum decided that a survey on the principle of pass-fail and on the particulars of implementation was necessary.

THE MONOLITH: The largest icicle on campus! A huge icicle, almost 5 1/2 feet in length from top to bottom, is hanging off the corner off the roof of the Adirondack building. The icicle started forming before Christmas Vacation and is hanging right over the pathway between Pearsons dormitory and College Street. Photo by Andrew Weiss

David Jaffrey '78 is one of the six students serving a law internship with Addison County Public Defender William Sessions this winter term. Photo by Richard Tarlov

Photos By Richard Tarlov

Sharon Rudnick '78 finds her job rewarding and calls it "a great way to take advantage of winter term." Photo by Richard Tarlov



Jim Labe '78 designed his own program by contacting Judge Bryan and volunteering to serve him as a law clerk. Photo by Richard Tarlov

Five Students Serve Internships in Law

By WEEGIE CATANIE AND LAURA FEENEY

Jim Labe '78 has proven that Winter Term internships can be profitable financially as well as intellectually. Labe is presently petitioning for a jury trial to appeal a $45 speeding violation he received. Ironically, he will appear before Judge Alden T. Bryan of the Addison County District Court with whom he is now serving as a Winter Term intern. He is a volunteer law clerk to the Judge.

Four other Middlebury students are serving similar law internships with Addison County Public Defender William Sessions. Sessions has worked with student volunteers in the past. David Jaffray '78, Sharon Rudnick '78, Kieth Trauner '79, and Mark NeJame '79 are the interns for this winter.

Dave Wyskiel '78 is another Middlebury student who is serving an internship with a local official. He is working with State Representative James H. Douglas of Middlebury, who is chairman of the important House Government Operations Committee and is House Republican Leader.

All six students designed their own programs and volunteered to serve as interns. They then submitted an outlined proposal of their internships to the Curriculum Committee for approval. At the end of the interim, the students will receive credit for their projects if they have satisfactorily met the objectives in their proposals.

The four students working with the Public Defenders Office basically serve as investigators. They prepare cases, read police reports, interview potential witnesses and take affidavits. In other words, they do most of the time-consuming preparatory work for Sessions, who is the only public defender in Addison County.

The four interns work 30 to 40 hours per week with Sessions, his secretarial assistant and a paralegal. Rudnick describes their working relationship as "an exchange of our legwork for their knowledge of criminal law." At the end of the term, Sessions will be expected to evaluate the students' work. Like her co-workers, Rudnick finds her job rewarding and calls it "a great way to take advantage of Winter Term."

Wyskiel travels with Representative Douglas almost every day to Montpelier for his internship. He serves as a legislative assistant to Douglas. Among other things, he does research for legislation, attends meetings, handles constituent inquires, and performs many administrative duties.

Wyskiel says he finds his internship "extremely interesting and very valuable." He enjoys viewing and participating in the inner workings of the State Legislature.

Labe designed his own program by contacting Judge Bryan and volunteering to serve him as a law clerk. As a law clerk, his diverse activities include writing law memorandums, attending deliberations in the judge's chambers, traveling with the judge between the Middlebury and Hyde Park locations of the county district courts, and assisting in jury selection.

This demanding job usually entails 40 hours of work per week. As a political science major, he is now exploring the possibility of a law career.

Mark NeJame '79 works 30 to 40 hours per week with Sessions. his secretarial assistant and a paralegal. Photo by Richard Tarlov

Development Offices Make Move Into Forest

By NANCY VAN VALKENBERG

Students and administrators have been co-existing in Forest Hall since mid November. In a recent interview, Walter Brooker, vice president for development, answered questions about the Development Offices move into Forest and the sorts of activities that go on there.

As part of the academic administrative staff, the development office is comprised of alumni relations, publications, and fund raising, which includes annual giving and bequests.

Brooker pointed out that Fund Raising encompasses only a part of what the Development office does, although that is its primary activity. Because these various activities are inter-related and because they were spread out among the four floors of Old Chapel as well as the Service Building, it was decided to bring together these various functions in one place.

Forest Hall was chosen because the space there, which was originally for kitchen and dining facilities, wasn't being fully utilized. Space for the seminars and classes which were held there will be provided in Old Chapel and elsewhere. Mr. Brooker pointed out that the cost of constructing buildings comparable to Forest Hall or Munroe Hall is prohibitous, hence the necessity of utilizing what space is available. As far as the choice of a student dormitory for such space is concerned, Mr. Brooker pointed out that in other colleges, dormitories house admissions offices and the like.

Many residents of Forest have expressed concern over the possible loss of the two large living rooms on the first floor adjacent to these offices. Brooker, however, reassured that those will remain for the students to use, with the exception of possible staff meetings during the morning hours when most students are in classes.

The reception that was held there the other night by President Robison for the trustees was intended to show the new facilities rather than to begin a pattern of such gatherings, according to Brooker.

Mr. Brooker says that the staff hasn't found that student activities interfere with their work. There were student complaints, however, at first about phone and typewriter noise. To rectify this, pads were placed under the typewriters and the phones turned down as low as possible. Apparently the arrangement has been satisfactory, as there haven't been further complaints.

Brooker hopes that one of the benefits of the new location will be an awareness on the part of the students of the importance of such an office to the successful running of the college.

One of the most important aspects of the Development Program has been student aid, primarily for middle-income students, according to Brooker, this comes under the two-fold Operational/Capital Fund. While the Operational Fund contributes to the up-keep of the buildings and the like, the Capital Fund contributes to such probrams as the Library Fund and endowments for professorships, and scholarships. Brooker was very pleased with the result of the 175th Anniversary Fund which made possible five new endowed professorships.

Brooker emphasized that the development staff is not responsible for the allocation of funds. It is their job to solicit funds but how they are allocated is up to those who work out the budget for the College. The funds are designated as either spendable or permanent, in which case they can only be used for the specific purpose requested by the donor. Funds with such stipulations are often a problem since they often cannot be utilized immediately, or cannot be utilized for something more pressing than their intent.

The comprehensive fee that is paid by the student covers only a small part of the true cost of his education. The rest of the funding to pay the Faculty and Staff and to cover the operating cost of the College come from gifts of past alumni, different foundations, and parents.

According to Brooker, the weak part of the development program is that which concerns present students, primarily seniors, and recent graduates. He feels that informing students, primarily seniors, and recent graduates. He feels that informing students about the development program is difficult because he doesn't want to harass them. It is his conviction that students should have an awareness of the importance of "charitable giving" in their education and will thus enter into that spirit in the future when they are in a position to contribute to the continuance of scholarly pursuits.

Walter Brooker, Vice President for Development Photo by Erik Borg

Adjustment Can Be Tough for February Frosh

By SALLY NICHOLS

It is hard for me to believe that my life once hung in jeopardy over the cruel suspense of being on the Middlebury wait-list. Every former "February Freshman" knows the feeling.

So, it was not without a little knee-trembling that I trekked down to the admissions office to interview an officer on the coming of this year's February Freshmen, and the differences between them and their September cohorts. I expected to hear that February Freshmen were perhaps academically "slower" than the rest of the Middlebury population, but the admissions officer soon put my mind at ease when she assured me that the mid-year students were just as qualified as the September Freshmen. Still, the age-old question of "Why me?" loomed through my mind as I examined her for more answers.

Reviewing history, I found that the original reason for admitting students in February was the availability of beds in the spring due to students leaving to study abroad. With a rapid increase in numbers of applications, the February solution seemed ideal to make room for the qualified applicants who in September could not be squeezed in. However, because of their small numbers, the "Febs" seemed to be in a class of their own.

The admissions officer admitted that non-academic qualities such as special talents, interests, and "super" personalitites were major characteristics of the Febs. She told me that the admissions people were more likely to remember more about the spring Freshmen than their autumn counterparts. Moreover, she stressed that the spring Freshmen, having had a semester off, were ready to get back to academic life, and appreciate a good education. She told me that the February Freshmen usually did very well both academically and socially at Middlebury. She said that they "really shine" once they are integrated into the college population.

Having assuaged my fears about the academic qualifications of the February Freshmen, I began to look at the problems of mid-year admission, and the plight of the lonely Feb. Naturally, with college life in full swing, it is hard to become a part of a small tight-knit community like Middlebury. The first two weeks of college life are among the most painful for any Freshman, let alone a February student.

The admissions officer concurred and added that the real problem lay in scattering the Febs all over campus; the student placed in a Freshman dorm adjusted to the College much more easily than the one placed in an upperclass dorm. She regretted this calamity, but could not find any solution.

I interviewed several former Febs who reiterated the anxieties of their first week at Middlebury. One girl told me that she seriously considered leaving after the first week because the independence of her job and apartment appealed more to her than the routine life of classes. She told me that she felt alienated in her upperclass dorm, and she thought that the people there were unreceptive to new faces. Her problem was solved, she said, when she moved to Battell. She enjoyed the rowdy Freshman life.

Another student told me that he just "couldn't seem to meet anyone" when he first came to Middlebury. He became very outgoing, working for the radio station and the newspaper, and soon he was begging for privacy.

The students I interviewed all said that they felt extremely conspicuous for the first two weeks or so at Middlebury. They thought that although orientation

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Compare Prices and Save in Midd

By JIM LABE

Students may save a great deal of money if they shop around for the best deal. Spot checks among stores in Middlebury show that prices vary greatly on many items. Students may realize substantial savings on everything from beer to laundry detergent if they shop wisely and are willing to find the best deal.

The survey, taken last week, shows that prices in the Middlebury College Bookstore are among the highest in Middlebury. For example, a 16-oz. bottle of Wisk laundry detergent selling for $1.45 in the Bookstore can be purchased at some area supermarkets for $1.09.

A large tube of Crest toothpaste is marked in the Bookstore for $1.49, while at Ames Department Store the same tube can be purchased for only $.84. Similarly, a large bottle of Listerine Mouthwash sells for $1.59 in the Bookstore, and the survey discovered the same size bottle selling for $.99 at Ames.

The survey found Pepsodent toothbrushes priced 20 ¢ higher in the Bookstore than they cost at the A&P Supermarket. Also, candy bars which are selling for 20¢ in the Bookstore can still be found in many area stores for only 15¢.

Prices for beer and alcoholic beverages also vary across town. A six-pack of Schlitz beer at Middlebury Discount Beverage costs $1.95, the lowest price in Middlebury. The survey also found that a bottle of Gallo Chablis Blanc wine costs 15¢ more at the Grand Union Supermarket than at The Familiar Tree Store or at Middlebury Discount Beverage.

The price of a gallon of gasoline was also found to vary greatly in the Middlebury area. The lowest prices for regular and premium gasoline were found at the Petco Service Station on Route 7, while the highest prices were found at Simmon's Texaco Service Station.

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In Defense Of Not Worrying

By NED FARQUHAR

The national scene continues to decline. Although there are movements counter to all bad influences, it's hard to ignore the stories of the increasing energy and food consumption in the United States, the increasing use of private automobiles, the increasing sales of tobacco and other junks, the increasing sacrifice of the remaining countryside for more oil developing or road building, the increasing costs– which will affect Middlebury students very harshly next year.

Tuition at Middlebury will rise again in the fall of 1977 despite all efforts to control it. Middlebury continues to operate profitably and last year offered more scholarships by a large percentage than it did the year preceding. But there continues to be waste which we all end up paying for.

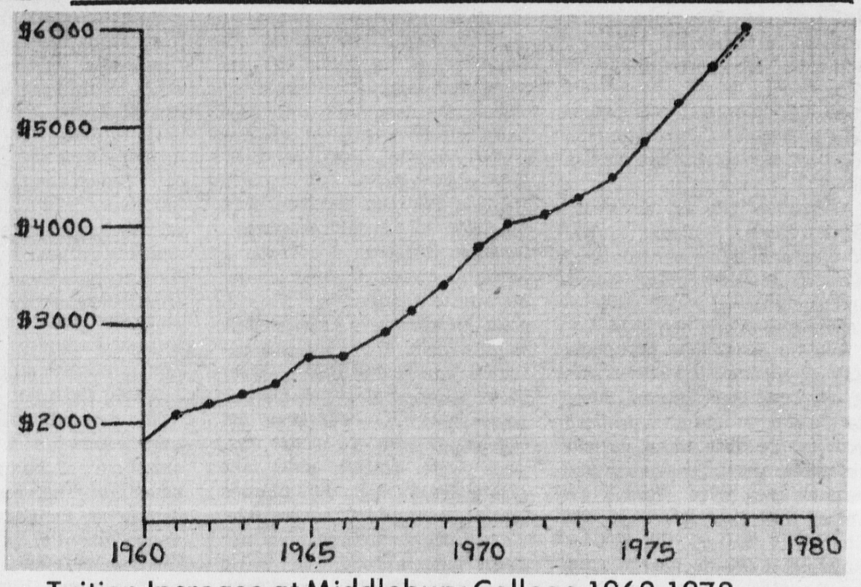
At the same time that all this goes on, however, there is a lot of very worthwhile diversion here in Middlebury. It's so easy to go downtown and talk to one of the merchants, or to speak with one of the College's employees– **in the bookstore or in the hallway**– and it seems that always everyone comes away smiling. The talk of poor relations between the College and the town is so often exaggeration.

Winter term, at the cost of what some would call "academic integrity," offers a necessary break from the pressure and hassles of the regular semesters. The snow is so ready and everyone is out to enjoy himself. The academic offerings are by no means lunchmeat, as they are the body of what the professors enjoy thinking about; a student can get as involved in the whole business as he wants to, at his own choice. Just because a student is doing less work, which isn't always the case, doesn't mean he isn't learning as much.

Students can think less about the problems of the real world. Some people say that's bad, but it can often be accepted as good. The enjoyment can consume the unworried folks; they can have a little fun without feeling guilty about someone else's problems. Usually it's fun at no one's expense. Therefore it's worthwhile.

It certainly is not apathetic to enjoy yourself. Thinking about the world's/nation's problems, you're lucky if you can think about them and allow yourself a good time. Only a small percentage of the students here ignore what's going wrong, and as a small community we allow our problems to ingrow and become larger than they really are.

Therefore, the sparse arguments against Winter term don't hold too much water. For the while, at least, things will work out all right– and we can afford a month's break from worrying about it all anyway.



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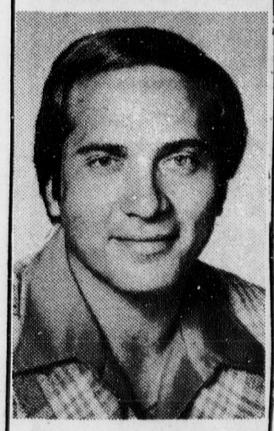

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Commentary

BSU Demands Apology For Stolen Christmas Tree

By RICHARD S. IRELAND

Four inebriated young Battell men went out on the prowl in hopes of ripping off a Christmas tree on December 15 at about 5 a.m.

Bong-hits and Mission wine were the method behind these young men's madness. One of these young men was later quoted as saying, "Shit, were we wasted."

The reason for this strong desire for a Christmas tree (a desire so strong it might be considered fanatical by any sober man) was that the tree in Battell center had recently been stolen by some brotherly fraternity boys. And being freshman, they naturally followed the example set by the fraternity boys—they went out to prove themselves equal.

Various dormitories, such as Milliken and Lang, were spied out as possible pilfering points. Pearsons was another such possibility, but two diligent scholars were discovered studying. An attempt under such circumstances would have been sheer folly.

The Coltrain Lounge was subsequently scouted-out. An unguarded tree was found and absconded with slightly less than professional care.

That same morning, after a brilliant piece of detective work consisting of tracing the tree's tinsle, needles, and sundry ornaments along the ground, the tree was found in Battell. A resident was interrogated and the culprits' identities were demanded. The criminals' confessions were quickly procured.

The boys returned the tree and apologies were made. Reparation for smashed ornaments was demanded, and the boys agreed to the sum of $10.40. Everything was settled and A.O.K., right? Wrong, a further condition of settlement consisting of an apology to the entire Black Student Union was requested.

A note written on the Coltrain blackboard read, "The next time you mother-fers f around with us we'll skin you alive." It was explained to the boys when they apologized to the president of the B.S.U. that no malice was intended by the note. It was disclosed that the author's plaintiveness was merely a result of his "star" having been on the stolen tree.

At this same interview with the president of the B.S.U., one of the boys stated, "Our actions were not meant against your organization." The reply was, "We took it that way."

On January 12, a letter was found in one of the boys' mail boxes asking them to appear and apologize to the B.S.U. The letter stated that a lot of people at Coltrain were still "upset" about the tree affair. One of the boys stated, "That's ridiculous. They've blown this thing way out of proportion. We're not going, I think a letter would be sufficient. We've agreed to make reparation."

The letter from the B.S.U. also threatened to contact the Dean if apologies were not made. This letter arrived approximately one month after the incident occured.

What is the meaning of a request for an apology to the entire Black Student Union? A racial Issue? What does this jumping to conclusions presume? Or is this merely the result of idleness and intoxication in a different form? Have we nothing better to do than to "blow out our minds," fanticize racial issues, and to read and write about such insipid and ridiculous events, even if our "star is stolen?"

Commentary

Lets Tar the Mud Zones !

By J.R. DOUGLAS

Despite the many attributes of Middlebury College, it has one not-so-attractive feature which draws considerable comment: mud. Even the people on their one-hour tours cannot fail to notice the prominent expanses of viscuous muck in front of Proctor, the mailroom and other areas. For we who live here, it is a constant irritant.

I propose some well-placed tar. Admittedly, this proposal is a bit out of season, but that will give people time to think about it and hopefully act on this suggestion.

The advantages of such a project are many. Consider maintainance. If the walks were made slightly wider, say, ten feet, and a little more plentiful (i.e. walks from all points to all others), there would be no unsightly strips of mud on both sides of walks or between places not connected by walks.

These mud zones require re-seeding every year. It would be easier to clear snow too, since all four wheels of the various tractors would be on solid tar rather than on often soft ground. More tar would also reduce the amount of grass that needs cutting during the summer months.

Consider convenience and safety for students and faculty. At certain times of the year it is at the least annoying, and occasionally hazardous to cross some areas due to soft, muddy ground. Unless you want to track all that mud into the classrooms or your dorm, you have to kick and scrape until it's all off.

People wearing shoes or sneakers are sure to get wet feet unless they remain on the walks. This soaking can ruin costly footwear, not to mention the general discomfort involved. Trying to get to the mailroom can be tricky if, as is usually the case, the slope outside is awash with mud. I've witnessed several impromptu acrobatic feats performed there, as well down towards Sunderland.

Another important item is the time involved in keeping to the present walk as along the path from Pearsons Hall system. For example, not including time spent regaining balance or getting up from a fall in the mud, it takes no less than twenty seconds more, on the average, to use the walks between Milliken and Warner, than to use the direct mud path. It would require at least this much longer to use the walks from Stewart to the Science Center, and as many as three to eight extra steps, depending on leg-length, to avoid the mud around Proctor and the mailroom. These differences are important to students who are continually pressed for time.

The final amelioration would be to round off all walk intersections with more tar or concrete. This would eliminate the mud that forms when people cut corners to be on time to class or to get ahead in lines. The time saved is far more important than the grass lost.

I believe that it is time we stopped grumbling about our mud and did something about it. More tar, especially in places like between Carr and Battell, more tar at all walk intersections, the paving of the proctor foregrounds, and less grass in general would greatly alleviate this perennial problem.

Letters

Be Realistic

To the Editor:

In the January 12 issue of the Campus, I read Mr. Jack Kendree's eloquent plea for us to be "realistic." I will attempt here to inject some realism and some common sense which were sadly lacking in his proposal.

Mr. Kendree has made a decision not to be on the College's Meal Plan. Therefore, he does not pay for the meals served in Proctor. He howls in righteous indignation, however, when he finds himself unable to get into the dining hall without paying. He feels that he must enter the dining hall to satisfy his social needs as well as his biological ones. Since he is unable to get into the dining hall free, he must find some other place on this huge campus to meet his friends. If his entire social life revolves around eating, then perhaps he should have enrolled on the Meal Plan.

Is cost-cutting a justifiable reason for refusing Mr. Kendree a freebie on meals? I say it is. With tuition and expenses now reaching over $5000 per year, I say that the College has every right to demand that he pay for his meals.

I have heard of the "recently embezzled funds" of which Mr. Kendree speaks, and I am perfectly willing to talk about them. It seems that one of the College officials took food from Proctor without paying for it. It seems that Mr. Kendree wants to take food from Proctor without paying for it. I see no great difference in these examples.

Mr. Kendree does not want to enroll on the Meal Plan, yet he asks to be allowed to eat in Proctor. In effect, he is asking those of us on the Meal Plan to pay for his meals. I, for one, am unwilling to do this. I confess that I have never taken any of the College's advanced courses in economic theory, so I am perhaps unqualified to speak on this subject. But where I come from, they always taught us that you just don't get somethin' for nothin'.

Tom Hirsch '80

Discrimination

To the Editor:

The situation may be slowly improving, but at the present time women at Middlebury College are still being openly discriminated against when it comes to intercollegiate sports.

On January 6 the women's squash team was told that they would have no coach for their away match at Williams the following day. Due to an emergency situation, the men's basketball coach was unable to accompany his team to their away game, and so Ron McEachen, the women's squash coach, was asked to go with the basketball team.

McEachen is familiar with the basketball team and so was a logical choice as a replacement coach, but I hardly think it is fair that he should be asked to fill in as basketball coach when it meant that he would be unable to attend the first match of the team he had been coaching all season.

As part of the women's squash team I resent this blatant slap in the face to women's sports. Had McEachen been coaching the men's ice hockey team it would have been unthinkable to ask him to sacrifice his own team's interests. Someone else would have been found.

It is only too obvious that a few sports continue to have priority when it comes to equipment, facilities, etc., at the expense of other intercollegiate sports which are just as much a part of Middlebury College. This policy is grossly unfair to all athletes not on these "select" teams who put just as much time and effort into their sports, only to be treated as inferiors.

Barbara Schumacher '78

Grass Sliding

To the Editor:

Stuart Alden ("One Cafeteria Tray, Per Student," Campus 1/12/77) neglected to mention a very valuable use of Herb L. Hashman's invention, the tray. We southern public-schoolers, although maybe not as ingenious as the preppies, have been sliding down grass-covered hills on trays for years. So who needs snow for traying? Wit the new one-student-one-tray policy, traying could become a year-round sport here, too.

Sharon Flack '79

Publicity

To the Editor:

I am a junior at Swarthmore College. There is an exchange program between our schools, making it possible for students at each institution to spend a semester at the other. According to people who have been on the exchange, and the administration here, there is very little publicity on the Middlebury end.

As it stands now, there is only one person coming down in the spring. I represent various people here who would not like the exchange cancelled for lack of interest caused by ignorance. It is still possible to go on exchange to Swarthmore, and interested individuals should see Mr. McKinney immediately.

The program is a fine opportunity for expanding one's outlook on the college experience, meeting new people, and taking courses not offered at one's home institution.

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Ian Douglas (left) and Doug Pierce (right) try out the skating on Lake Chateau. Photo by Peter Duncan

'Camelot' Promises Fun, Mystery

By VALERIE HAVAS

Preparations are underway to transform Middlebury into "Camelot" for Winter Carnival. This year Carnival runs from Thursday, February 24 to Saturday, February 26.

Carnival events planned around the theme of "Camelot" include a medieval night club, candlelight dinners, an ice show, and the annual carnival ball.

In keeping with the medieval theme, the night club will be waitressed by "wenches," according to Anne Van Ingen, co-chairman of "special events" for the carnival. Entertainment for the night club will be provided by the minstrels Joanne Green, Michael Katz, Katie Shepherd, David Jaffray, Annie Cappucino, Nellie Krakoff, and the D-8.

The legends of King Arthur provide the dramatic theme of the ice show. Kathy Jacobs has been directing a cast of more than 100 skaters since November. The cast, which includes local fifth and sixth graders and 75 college students, will be skating before a 60 X 13 foot Camelot-inspired backdrop.

Of course, snow events will be happening in Middlebury's version of Camelot, weather permitting. Ushering in the wintry Camelot will be an afternoon of cross-country skiing, traying, and a 'human dogsled.' In addition to these campus races, 12 college ski teams and seven individual skiers have been invited to competitions at the Ski-Bowl. And to warm all cold skiers and non-skiers there will be a even to the soon-to-be-shown fund-raising movies **Camelot**, "Winter Warm-up" apres-ski party with hot toddies and other refreshments in Proctor Lounge.

The "Camelot" theme extends and **Monty Python and the Holy Grail**. Other planned fund-raisers include the movie **Duck Soup** and a raffle.

"Camelot" is on its way, but it needs student support to get here. Students may help plan and run the carnival by filling out and returning the carnival form found last week in mailboxes. Most of all, "Camelot" needs you to be there. An $11 ticket will get you into every carnival event (including the as-yet-still-mysterious concert).

Presenting 'COMPANY'

The Middlebury College Drama and Music Departments have joined talents to present four performances of the musical comedy, "Company," January 28 through 30 at Wright Memorial Theatre.

The student production of "Company," under the direction of Stephen Drewes, instructor of theatre, with musical direction by George Todd, associate professor of music, will be performed 8 pm Friday through Sunday with a 2 pm matinee scheduled for Saturday.

"Company" originally opened April, 1970 at the Alvin Theater on Broadway. The book of "Company" is by George Furth, while the music and lyrics were written by Stephen Sondheim, considered to be one of the most innovative and talented writers in the American musical theatre. The musical comedy represents the culmination of Sondheim's creative abilities and was highly praised when it opened in New York.

Brendan Gill, in a review in the New Yorker, observed, "in song after song, notably "Sorry-Grateful," "Poor Baby," "Barcelona," and "Being Alive," Sondheim's deservedly celebrated talents are at their wryest, driest, highest pitch of tunefulness and wit."

Although the main character, Bobby, is a bachelor, "Company" essentially deals with marriage in an urban setting. Bobby and his best friends, five married couples, come to learn more about not only the meaning of marriage as an institution, but also the nature of relationships and risks involved in loving and being loved in return.

Inkeeping with the spectacular quality of the Sondheim music and the elaborate nature of producing a full scale musical, an opening night gala is being planned. Beginning one half hour before curtain time on Friday night, the audience is invited to atttend a formal reception reminiscent of the grandeur of old Hollywod.

The huge scope of "Company" presents a monumental production challenge for the Drama and Music Departments at Middlebury. The cast includes 18 students in addition to an orchestra.

Karen Amirault, a senior, is doing the choreography for the production while the sets and staging are beind designed by Chandler A. Potter, professor of Drama. Kitty and Paul Skrobela, of the Music Department are assistant directors, Paul Aaronson, a junior, is concert master, Richard and Michelle Forman of the Theatre Department, are technical director and in charge of costuming, and senior Mary Miottel, is stage manager.

Tickets, available a week before the performances, will be $1.50 for students and $2 for the general public. Reservations may be made by calling the Wright Theatre Box Office, 388-2665.

Panthers Lose, 4—3

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a powerplay goal from Lincoln and Harris, 16:33. Third period goals were scored by Harris from Lincoln and Woodworth, Watson, unassisted, and Babcock, completing his hat trick with help from Lincoln and Harris.

The Salem State game was Midd's home opener. The Blue were psyched to knock off the fourth rated Vikings and they showed it in the first period. Middlebury had three solid scoring opportunities before Salem took a single shot. After killing off a two man Salem advantage for one minute, forty-five seconds, the Panthers had three powerplay opportunities that they did everything possible but score.

Salem roared back with new life in the middle period. Bob Smith was allowed to cut in on Burchfield with just 29 seconds gone. He stuffed it under Burch with an assist from Kreiner. Mike Glasby made it 2-1 when he finished off a 3-2 situation around the Middlebury cage. Mike Whyte made it 3-1 Salem with Jerry Quinn sitting out an elbowing call.

Whyte, Irving, and Biggs again set up a three on two around the cage until the Midd defense left Whyte unattended.

Middlebury battled back at 9:31 when Perry Babcock rushed, swung behind the Salem goal and fed Buzz Woodworth at the point. Buzz shot and Pete Bostwick also scored the tying goal at 13:53 with some brilliant moves.

Salem's John McBrine scored the game winner at 4:22 of the third period with Bob Davis in the box for holding. McBrine beat Buff with a wrist shot to his high stick side. The shot also came from a tough angle. The rest of the game was as fast and as tense as "pong" in overtime. At 13:55 Chip Hagy fed Mike O'Hara who dropped a pass to Johnnie Watson. Watson stung the post with a slap shot. Hard hitting and fine goal tending by Burchfield, in particular, a great kick save on a deflection kept the momentum in Midd's favor. The Panther's once again hit everything but the twine with the puck. Burch was lifted with 45 seconds left but the game ended in a 4-3 Salem St. victory.

Coach Forbes was pleased with the team's performance, but he was not pleased with the news that high scorer Pete Bostwick would be lost until the second week in January due to a broken hand.

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Sheltered Workshop On Tap

The Addison County Association for Retarded Citizens is sponsoring one program on Sheltered Workshops and one on Work-Activity Centers at its second meeting, Monday, January 24. The meeting will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Middlebury. There will be a brief business meeting at 7 p.m. followed by the program at 7:30. Coffee and refreshments will be served.

Dick McDowell, director of the Champlain Sheltered Workshops, Inc. in Winooski, will present slides and describe the work and activities of the workshop program there. This presentation will be followed by a panel discussion during which brief talks will be made by Peter Zuk, who is in charge of the Brandon Training School Sheltered Workshop, Ted Pawlazk of the Franklin County Disabilities Center, and Tom Broughton, shop teacher at Shannon Street School.

Broughton will speak on the need for such a program in Addison County. Dick McDowell will join the panelists to answer questions, and for a group discussion of the need for a sheltered workshop situation or work activities center in the Middlebury community.

Addison County is fortunate in having a fine training and educational program for the retarded. Shannon Street School provides an academic and training program for three levels of the educable mentally retarded, and two levels of the trainable mentally retarded children. While at Shannon Street, these children also participate in a shop and home economics program.

All of the educable young people and some of the trainable young people then participate in a level four program at the vocational school. These training programs are available to the retarded in Addison County until they reach the age of 21. At this time, many are capable of going out into the community and working at regular jobs.

However, a small percentage of these young people need a sheltered situation in which to work in order to utilize the skills which they have learned in school. For them one might ask the question, "After 21, what?" It is this concern to which the Addison County Association for Retarded Citizens wishes to address itself at the January 24 meeting. The association invites professionals in the field, representatives of industry and business in the area, family and friends of the retarded, and any others who are concerned for the resources and facilities available to the retarded of Addison County to attend.

There will be an opportunity for any who have not joined the association to do so, but no one is required to join.

For further information you may call Wilson MacIntire, president of the association, at 453-4276, Jean Littlefield, membership, at 462-2225, or Mary Brevda, Counseling Service, at 388-7641.

Frosh Enter In Spring

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activities such as the wine and cheese party, and the dinner at the Snow Bowl had been helpful in getting to know other Febs, they had failed to introduce them to the rest of the school. The Febs seemed to slip quietly into the population without much recognition compared to the blast-off that the September newcomers had received.

The biggest welcome the Febs received, they agreed, was Winter Carnival. The many activities allowed them to get to know a lot of people in a short period of time, and although many names were forgotten in the excitement, a beginning was made.

To the rest of the college, the most interesting thing about the February Freshmen is what they have done with their semesters off. Perhaps a little envy accompanies this curiosity, for more than a few students have toyed with the idea of taking time off to pursue other interests.

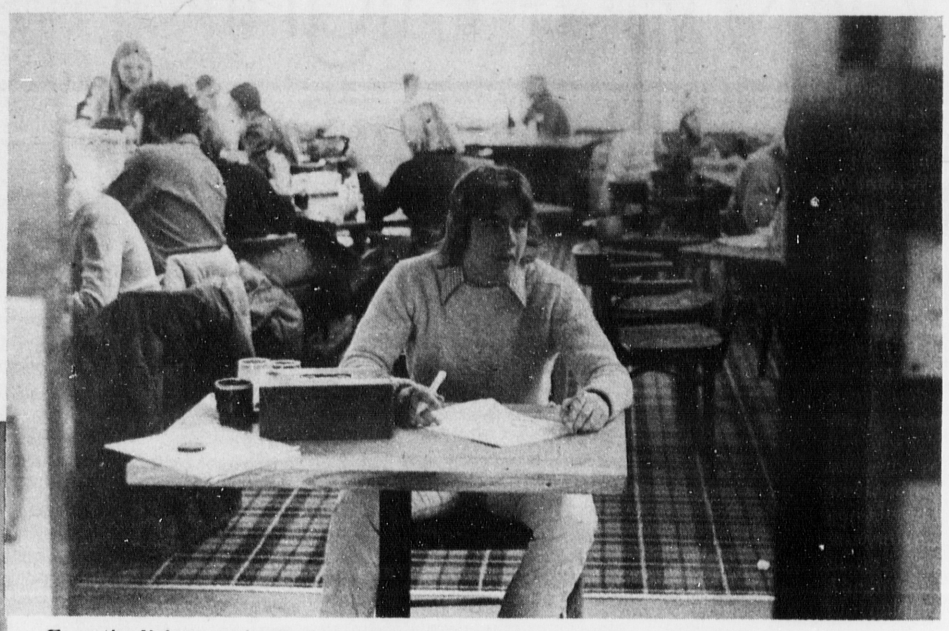
February Freshmen in the past have done a number of things—such as working, traveling, and taking courses to make up for lost credits. They gain job experience and maturity from dealing with the outside world, whereas the Freshman who goes to college directly from high school may be a bit more sheltered. The mid-year students are ready to accept the responsibility of acadmic pressure rather than just viewing college as a four-year "free ride."

The 1977 February Freshmen will be much more noticeable than last year's. Approximately 85-90 young men and women will make their debut into Middlebury society at the beginning of the spring term.

Sally Nichols takes a look at the plight of "February Freshmen" from the inside out. The Middlebury sophomore was once-upon-a-time a February Freshman herself.

Does Proctor Dining Hall Meet State Fire Codes?

Acting Director of Dining Halls David Ginevan "feels sure it does." There seems to be no doubt, however, that precautions which would assure safe exit from Proctor Dining Hall in the event of a fire are not being taken. State fire code requires that there be two "fire exits" from a room the size of the dining hall. A state fire marshall is expected to inspect it this week. The following photo essay attempts to demonstrate that rapid evacuation might prove difficult.



From the dining area itself (this excludes the serving area) there are three doors or sets of doors. At the first one Mike Minor checks I.D. cards and numbers. His table is conveniently placed directly in front of the only entrance into the dining area. He explains that he has to watch for "gatecrashers." This door is the only open exit from the dining area.

This wide set of doors labelled "exit" and lit at all times by a red light as required by law for a fire door has only one problem: the door is locked by key and cannot be opened from either side.

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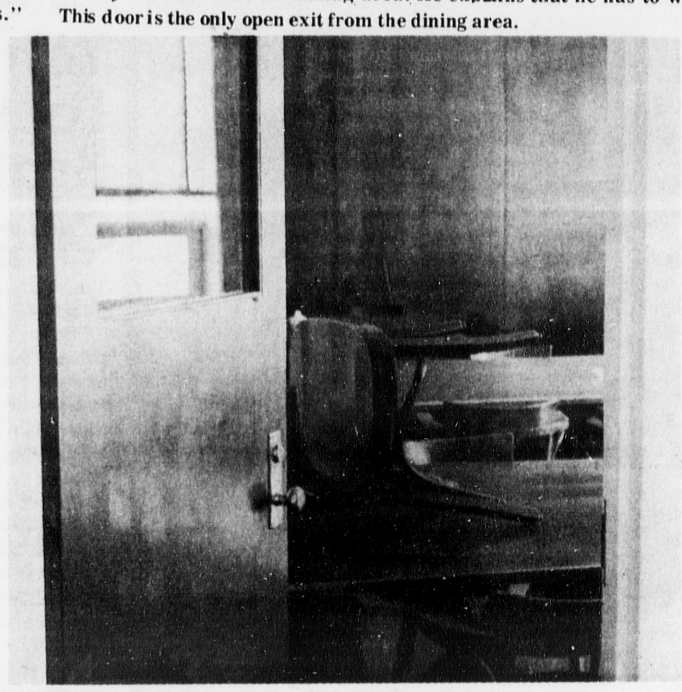

This door leads to a back area of the dining halls which is used when large numbers necessitate it according to a headwaiter. A second door--visible through the glass of the first one--leads into the Crest Room next door. It too is locked.

These are the only three potential exits from the dining area itself which lead to the corridor. There is also a door leading from the maze in the serving area to the corridor which can be opened even when locked from the outside. If one is familiar with the confines of the serving and washing area he knows that there is also a door in the back of that area which leads to the corridor. A stairway in the back leads to the downstairs of Proctor where the kitchens and offices are. Would any of these passages be considered a fire exit? The average student only knows of one of them in any case--the one leading through the maze. Does this exit qualify?

These questions will be answered when the state fire marshall visits this week. --*Daniel Jacobs*

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WRMC Highlights

Lux and Akkerman Work Together to Produce "Eli"

Kaz Lux and Jan Akkerman
Eli

"Eli" represents a successful reunion between Jan Akkerman, the brilliant former guitarist of the Dutch group Focus, and Kaz Lux, a versatile vocalist who is well grounded in the rock and blues tradition. These two were the driving force behind Brainbox, a progressive Dutch rock group of the late 1960's.

This album was originally slated to be a solo effort by Kaz Lux, but Akkerman promised to lend his talents and this joint concept emerged. The album songs tell the story of a woodcutter named Eli and the dreamlike adventures that he goes through. (It's not altogether clear, but no matter.)

Lux's vocals reach an intensity rarely heard nowadays, which becomes evident in the opening cut, which is largely unaccompanied. Akkerman contributes a more controlled intensity. He seems content to subordinate his playing to the overall conception of the album, lending lively rhythms and sparse solos.

It's a return for Akkerman to more conventional style of guitar playing. There are no medieval lute pieces or delightfully frenetic leads that appeared on his previous solo albums or Focus efforts. Three of the album's nine tracks are instrumentals, but even then Akkerman practices admirable restraint by playing hypnotic patterns and delicate textures, especially on "Tranquilizer" which is just that.

Thanks to this superenergetic rhythm section, the vocal selections are well charged. The Lux-Akkerman reunion is a worthwhile one, with a refreshing dose of rock and roll as the outcome.

R.P. for WRMC

Europeans Shine in Latest Effort

Philip Catherine
Nairam

Philip Catherine is the Belgian virtuoso guitarist, highly acclaimed in Europe although little known in this country, who replaced Jan Akkerman in the Focus line-up when the Dutch guitarist left the group last year. "Nairam," which came out last summer, is a compilation from his first two European releases. The album clearly demonstrates his versatility and ability as a performer; he skillfully plays both jazz and rock with amazing control over acoustic and electric guitars.

In short, this guy is a knockout. Helping Catherine out on this LP are such experienced jazz musicians as Charlie Mariano on sax with John Lee and Gerry Brown on bass and drums. Catherine is at his best, however, when he's all by himself or just with a rhythm section. The album's highpoint is "Sneezing Bull," a compelling seven minute creation featuring his vibrant acoustic playing overdubbed but not at all overblown.

"Nairam" is melodically rich and full of interlocking textures, covering a wide range of styles from a virtuoso freeness to more upbeat and structured passages. This album is to be heard by anyone who wants to witness the many things that can be done on a guitar. I, for one, can't wait to hear the next Focus LP. Man, he's good.

R.P. for WRMC

Tom Chapin Lacks Brother's Originality

Tom Chapin
Life Is Like That

There is no point in comparing Tom Chapin with his brother, Harry, simply because of their filial relationship. But the comparison is implicit. Tom is distinctly second-rate in musical quality. He's in a different class than Harry and other significant folk singer-songwriters.

Tom Chapin's first album, **Life Is Like That**, is an entirely adequate collection of original songs. But it lacks depth in both lyrical exposition and musical interpretation. He dabbles in Blues with "Ain't It Simple," and enjoys moderate success. Yet in this number, as in other songs, there is no freshness—no unexpected chord to keep it interesting.

But maybe I'm being too hard on him. "Ladies of the Line" and "Just Another Story" are very worthy efforts, and they deserve to be aired. But Tom should wait until he has eight more songs of the quality of those two before he cuts another album.

T.S. for WRMC

TOP SHOWS OF THE COMING WEEK

Wednesday, January 19
5-6:30 Afternoon Concert
6:30-7 Evening Report
7-7:05 Rideboard
7:05-9 Evening Concert
11:30-12 "The Shadow"
12- The Midnight LP with Todd Page

Thursday, January 20
4:30-5 The Frog Show
5-6:30 Afternoon Concert
6:30-7 Evening Report
7-7:05 Rideboard
7:05-9 Evening Concert
12- The Midnight LP with Jeff Anderholm

Friday, January 21
2:30-4:30 Folkroots/New Routes 2 hours of British folk music with Ritchie Porter
6:30-7 Evening Report
7-7:05 Rideboard
12 The Midnight LP with Ja
11:30-12 The Goon Show
12- The Midnight LP with Jack Gill

Saturday, January 22
6:30-9 a.m. Saturday Morning Fantasy with Flo Smith
3-6 Snazzy Jazz with Stu Alden

Sunday, January 23
1-5 Opera featuring "The Marriage of Figaro" by W.A. Mozart
9:30-11:30 Check out the many sounds of the Sunday Nite Variety Show

Monday, January 24
6:30-9 a.m. The Proud Sound of Jazz with Bruce Willard
6:30-7 Evening Report
7-7:05 Rideboard
11:30-12 Jazz Revisited
12- The Midnight LP with Dave Magill

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6:30-7 The Evening Report
7-7:05 Rideboard
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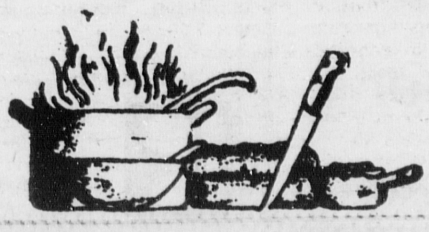

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PANTHER SPORTS

Hockey Split with Wesleyan, A.I.C.

By DANA TUFTS

Last Saturday night at Memorial Arena the Panther hockey team conducted a clinic in the style of the '74-'75 Boston Celtics. Midd pumped seven first period goals past Wesleyan goalie Capone, sending him to the showers. The final score was 11-3.

Pete Bostwick picked up a hat trick, even though he was still feeling the effects of a broken hand.

The new Gold line of Jerry Quinn, Chris Lincoln and Tom Plant had an exceptional night. Quinn and Plant had two goals apiece and each member of the line had assists.

Middlebury's first period barrage went as follows: Bostwick from Tom Harris, Al Fitzpatrick from Bob Davis and Rob Connerty, Chip Hagy, a power play goal, from Mike O'Hara and Fitzpatrick, two Bostwick goals within 8 seconds of each other, the first a tip off a Lexi Gahagan shot, the second coming from Perry Babcock and Harris, Plant from John Crawford, and Quinn unassisted at 19:02.

Wesleyan's Hank Mathieu scored a pair early in the second period to give the Cardinals something to cheer about. Bobby Lloyd took over the goal tending duties in this period. Mike O'Hara also scored in at 7:43 by flipping in the rebound of a Chip Hagy shot.

In the third period, with Rob McLaughry in goal, the panthers scored a short handed goal. O'Hara fed Fitzpatrick in the neutral zone. A.J. then lumbered into Cardinal territory, held off a defender and passed to John Watson from behind the net. Watson converted the pass for Midd's ninth goal.

Down at Worchester on January 12th Midd defeated Holy Cross 7—5 in the two team's first meeting ever. Middlebury was powered by a four goal performance by sophomore Chip Hagy and the timely goalkeeping of Bob Lloyd.

H.C. got on the board first. Murphy slapped in a Graves pass that came from behind the net. Five minutes later Hagy scored by finishing off a great powerplay set-up. Al Fitzpatrick passed across to John Watson halfway in the offensive zone. Watson slid a pass into Hagy who snapped a shot from the slot past Costello before he had time to react.

Mike O'Hara put Midd up 2—1 on the powerplay by tipping in a Crawford point shot. Buzz Woodworth also assissted. Other second period goals for Middlebury were by Plant, Hagy, and Bostwick, with assists credited to Lincoln, Quinn, O'Hara, and Harris. Bellerose and Bowman tallied for Holy Cross. With the score 5—3, Bob Lloyd stopped a breakaway with ten seconds remaining in the period to keep Middlebury's spirits high in the locker room.

Mid—way through the third period, John Crawford was banished on two successive calls. Graves and Bellerose each scored in the man—up situations to tie the score. The game winner for Midd came at 16:50. After the Red line had maintained pressure, O'Hara fed Watson from the corner, John threw the puck in front of the H.C. cage. The puck bounced to Hagy who whipped it under Costello. With Costello out to give Holy Cross an extra skater, Hagy scored his fourth goal on the open net at the final buzzer.

The game was a significant improvement over their last game on January 8th.

On that date, Middlebury lost a Division II contest to A.I.C. Yellowjackets 10—5 at Springfield,Mass. The game was their second in two nights away from home. A.I.C. also played the night before and lost 6—3 to Norwich. Norwich is not thought upon as a strong team this year, thus Middlebury was the psychological victim of the old comparative scores hex.

On the subject of the game, Coach Wendy Forbes said,"Its tough to go all out two nights in a row. The guys were drained from their effort in Hamilton. It's too bad Buff had an off game here because he was the key to our win at Hamilton."

Middlebury opened the scoring when John Watson tallied, unassisted at 7:48. A.I.C. then scored six unanswered goals. One of these was a blistering slap shot from the blue line right at the buzzer ending the first period.

Midd showed some life in the second period with two quick goals. The first by Chip Hagy from Mike O'Hara and Watson at 13:17. The second by O'Hara from Watson at 13:40. Watson made a pretty pass on this one. As he cut across the A.I.C. line he fed his pass between the defenceman to O'Hara who had sifted behind the defence. Mike then snapped it by the surprised A.I.C. goalie, Newbert.

A.I.C. scored three times before Midd could capitalize again. All three of these goals, two on the power play were shots that Buff Burchfield lost between his legs.

Near the end of the second period O'Hara potted two, earning the hat trick. The first came at 18:58 and was assisted by Bubba Davis and Watson. O'Hara's third goal was scored at 19:57 with assists going to Davis and Hagy.

The only goal of the third period was scored on Bob Lloyd by A.I.C. making the score 10—5.

The next game for the Panthers is tonight at 7:30 versus one of our arch rivals, the Williams Ephmen. Attendence is mandatory!

Panther Varsity Wins Two, Loses One

By DANA TUFTS

The Middlebury hockey team scored four second period goals and held off the Hamilton Continental third period barrage to secure a 6-4 victory at Sage Arena, Clinton, N.Y. In a tough road game to play every other year, the Middlebury players kept their cool and took the abuse that the Hamilton players and fans dished out.

The team showed some effects of the holiday lay-off and four hour bus ride in the opening stanza as they had trouble breaking out. The Continentals took a 1-0 lead when Hutchinson beat Josh Holleb and fed Thomas who beat Buff Burchfield from a sharp angle. After failing to score on a two-man advantage, Chip Hagy stole the puck from the defense behind the Hamilton net and fed center Mide O'Hara who then notched his first goal of the campaign between the legs of goalie Sean Jorge.

Checking picked up in the second period resulting in heated tempers and retaliatory penalties. Mike O'Hara was slashed on the back of the neck with the referee looking on and no penalty was called. Jack Doyle was then banished for butt-ending. Hamilton henchman, Hildebrand, evened up the sides with his third of five penalties. During this four on four stint, Perry Babcock was denied on a breakaway by shooting at Jorge's stick.

At 11:24 the Panther attack began when Lexi Gahagan fired a slap shot past Jorge's right foot. O'Hara won the faceoff to Hagy and Hagy fed Lexi for the point shot. The third Middlebury goal came after Al Fitzpatrick shot from the point. The puck was batted in the air, struck Gilmore and landed in the net. A dispute followed, aided by cans being thrown on the ice by the Hamilton fans. Gilmore received a ten minute misconduct for the manner in which he claimed a Middlebury player had high-sticked the puck into the net. Tom Plant made the score 4-1 by streaking from center ice to beat the Hamilton defense and Jorge at 14:11. Perry Babcock potted his sixth of the year on a rebound of Tom Harris' shot that caused Jorge to lose his stick. Chris Lincoln also assisted on the play.

In the third period O'Hara converted a return pass from Hagy at 7:25 for his second goal of the game. O'Hara's shot nicked the post to Jorge's glove side before reaching the strings. Heavy checking prevailed again in the period possibly intimidating the Panthers enough for them to let down their guard on their 6-1 lead. Two goals by Griffith, one on the power play, and one by Hildebrand, also a power play goal finished the Hamilton scoring.

The team is to be commended for keeping their cool as much as they did against this chippy bunch. They only play this Div. II contest once a year. The win was well deserved. Rob Connerty was back in action after several weeks rest to mend his shoulder. It is good to see Rob healthy again.

Before vacation, our skaters romped over Plattsburg 9-2 and lost a heartbreaker to Salem 4-3. Midd fired 52 shots at the Plattsburg netminder in their win, while Buff Burchfield and Bob Lloyd turned aside 34, combined. The scoring went as follows, first period: Lincoln from Harris and Woodworth at 51 seconds; Plant from Quinn and O'Hara at 6:05; Babcock from Lincoln and Crawford at 16:54; and Fitzpatrick, unassisted at 17:05. Second period: Plant from Quinn and Fitzpatrick, 9:49; and Babcock,

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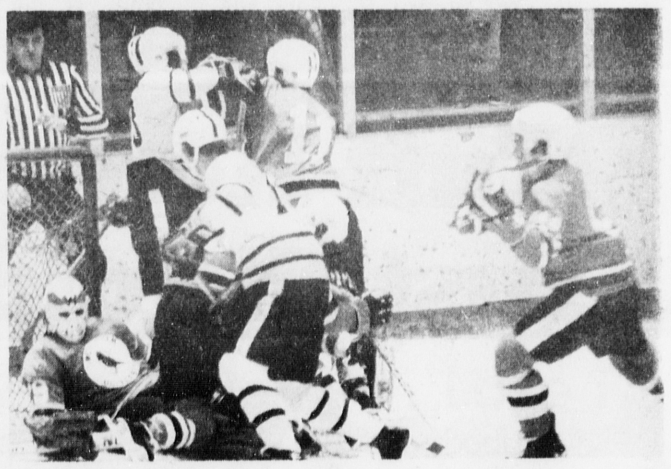

Wesleyan and Middlebury scramble in front of the goal in the middle of the 3rd period. Photo by Peter Duncan

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Women's Ski Team Looks Invincible

By JOHN MACKENNA

"The women will go undefeated in the East." stated head ski coach Terry Aldrich with confidence. After a pause, he added, "Unless they're hit with a rash of injuries or sickness." No coach can be certain that his team will succeed, but Aldrich has every reason to believe that the Panther women will once again be invincible.

The 1976 team won all its eastern meets, then captured the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) championship.

The team that topped the nation last year is still mostly intact, and it has been strengthened by the addition of several talented new freshmen.

The alpine squad looks at least as good as last year's squad. Unfortunately for the team, sophomore Sherrill Sanderson and junior Nellie Krakoff, both members of national champion alpine squad, have decided to leave the team.

Moving in to fill the void are three promising freshmen, Robin Putnam, Lori Woodworth, and Dana Brettell. Woodworth and Putnam have been skiing well this winter, but Brettell is recovering from a case of mononucleosis which has kept her from training and racing.

Returning from last year's national alpine squad are Leslie Orton, Ellen Hall, Sara McMNealus, and co—captain Tina Besse. McNealus seems to have recovered from her near-fatal car crash, and is skiing well. On New Year's Day, she placed fourth in an Eastern Cup slalom at Hunter Mt., N.Y.

While the alpine team looks equal to their squad of a year ago, the 1977 nordic squad looks considerably better than last year's champion unit. This nordic squad is an all star team, perhaps the finest group of athletes ever assembled at Middlebury.

In last year's NCAA championship, the young Panthers led by Mitzi Cain in first place grabbed four of the top five places in the 7.5 kilometer race. Behind Cain were Ruth Baxter, Pam Richardson and Jennifer Caldwell in sixth, seventh and eighth places respectively. Richardson was a sophomore; Cain, Baxter and Caldwell were freshmen.

This fall, Baxter, was honored as the top skier of 1976 in the Eastern United States. Baxter, Cain and Caldwell are all members of the national team.

This squad did not need to be reinforced, but reinforced it has been, by a trio of fine new skiers.

Leading the new arrivals is freshman Liz Carey, a national team member from Rumford, Maine, who has been the top Panther skier in the Dannon International Series. She placed first in the Senior 'B' division at Lake Placid, N.Y. on December 28, outpacing her nearest teammate, Jennifer Caldwell, by forty-seven seconds over five kilometer. Nine days later, back at Breadloaf, she finished fifth in the 'A' division, seventeen seconds ahead of Mitzi Cain, the second Panther finisher. The first four finishers were U.S. Team members.

Another freshman, Lindsay Putnam, has surprised many of her competitors who had never heard her name before. Although she was placed in the division below most of her teammates, she has kept pace with the national champions in every race to date.

Janet Kellam, the third member of the rookie trio, has also kept up with the Panther veterans, finishing in the top fifteen in three Dannon International races. Kellam, a junior, is skiing competitively for the first time this winter.

While the freshman have added strength to the team, the core of upperclassmen, Cain, Caldwell, Baxter and co-captain Pam Richardson, has maintained the awesome consistency it demonstrated in 1976. In every race of that year, the quartet netted a handful of top positions.

Nothing has changed, except that this year's handfuls will be a little larger.

Freshman Hockey Wins Two Of Three

By TONY ROMANO

Before the student population of Middlebury College fled the school for the Christmas holidays, the Freshman Hockey team traveled to Lake Placid, New York to take on Northwood Prep School.

In a hotly contested battle that saw the referee send many Middlebury and Northwood players to the penalty box, the Lake Placid contingent came out on top of an 8-5 score.

The Panthers were not particularly sharp and their lack of practice time together as a team was quite obvious in watching their style of play that night.

Northwood scored first with a goal in the first period. Two more goals early in the second period made the score 3-0 at the end of a period and a half.

But Roger Nicholas put Middlebury back in the game with a pair of goals making the score 3-2 at the end of the second stanza.

Bob King and Mark Fernberg picked up assists on both tallies.

But Northwood put the game away in the third period, scoring five goals, the last one coming

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Men's Ski Team Looks Good: New Freshmen

By JOHN MACKENNA

The men's ski teams, blessed by the addition of many fine freshmen athletes, particularly on the nordic squads, should perform at least as well as last year's teams. On paper, the 1977 teams look stronger than the bicentennial editions, which combined to place sixth in last year's National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) championship.

The jumping squad has been revamped and now consists primarily of freshmen. Scott Sobczak, a freshman from Minnesota, has already beaten Dartmouth's best jumpers. Another Minnesota freshman, Mike Bloom, should be near the top of the New England carnival circuit.

Two more freshmen, Bill McLaughry and Chris Axelson round out the jumping squad which was stripped to bare bones when top veterans Bob Anderson and Ward Mann left the team. Peter Guest is the top returning veteran.

In the only competition completed by press time, Sobczak took first place in a jump on January 9 at Hanover. In that competition, Sobczak, the only Panther to place in the top fifteen, beat Dartmouth's best jumpers.

The men's cross-country team also received a potent shot of fresh blood in the form of five freshmen. They join a large veteran squad led by Canadian Olympian Brant McDougal.

The veterans include four juniors: co-captain Peter Ross, Jack Lyons, Terry White, and Scott Gillingham, who is temporarily sidelined with mononucleosis. The returning sophomores are Phil Mann, Greg Waters and Jim Goodwin. McDougal is the only senior.

Two freshmen have wasted no time in rising to the top of the squad. Bill Spencer, a national team skier from Anchorage, Alaska, and Fritz Koch, brother of Olympian Bill, have joined with McDougal to form a trio that has dominated the top spots in the Dannon International series, a seven race series featuring top U.S. and Canadian skiers.

In the first race, on December 28th, in Lake Placid, N.Y., McDougal finished third, Koch sixth and Spencer eleventh.

In the next race, two days later at Glens Falls, N.Y., McDougal took fourth, Koch fifth and Spencer seventh.

On January 4, Koch placed fourth in the third race at Essex Junction, Vt. In the fourth race of the series, at Bread Loaf on January 6, Spencer took third and McDougal tenth.

Among the veterans, Goodwin, Gillingham, White, Ross, Lyons, and Mann have each placed in the top twenty in at least one Dannon race.

Jeff Meserve, the third member of the freshman quintet, has finished in the top twenty twice. The other two newcomers, Mike Stripp and Chris Axelson, also have competed in the Dannon Series. All five freshmen qualified for and competed in the junior nationals last year.

More than either of the nordic squads, the alpine team will resemble its 1976 predecessor. Veterans Mark Cater, Dave Gavett and co-captain John Giebink all are returning. John Jacobs is healthy after missing last year's carnival circuit with an injury.

Bubba Kenney, who was awarded honorable mention by the All-America team, has an injured knee, so he will not ski for a while. Kenney finished sixth in the NCAA slalom last year.

The squad has been bolstered by the addition of three freshmen, David Bean, Ben Mathes and Jeff Nichols.

On the Can-Am circuit, the highest level of competition in the East, Bean placed sixth in a slalom at Hunter Mt.

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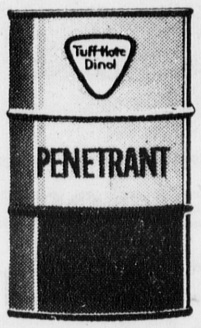

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Varsity Basketball Drops Two Home Games

By JOHN MACKENNA AND RONALD GAUTHIER

This past weekend, the Middlebury Varsity Basketball Team dropped a pair of home games, to Clark on Friday night, 71-69, then to Wesleyan on Saturday afternoon, 61-56.

The losses came at a bad time, when Middlebury had a chance to rise above the .500 mark and get their season on the right track. Two wins would have brought their record to a respectable 5—4; a split would have left them 4—5. Instead, the pair of defeats made their record a dismal 3—6, an inaccurate representation of the abilities of this highly talented group of athletes.

The team, which won two of its first three games, has now lost three in a row and five of its last six. And the next game, Wednesday night at home against UVM, will be another tough game for the hobbled Panthers.

The last two losses can be attributed largely to one factor, the imbalance of shooting fouls between Middlebury and their opponents. In those games, the Panthers played some fine defensive ball and some individuals shot very well, but their opponents shot a total of fifty-two free throws to fifteen for Middlebury.

CLARK

In the Friday night game, Middlebury played at least as well as Clark, but the home team never got the breaks it needed. Clark jumped off to an early 12—8 lead as the Panthers fouled frequently in the first six minutes. The defense failed to keep Clark players away from the hoop, so they drew the fouls trying to prevent the baskets.

Eight minutes into the game, Middlebury began to shoot well. When co-captain James Reese entered the game, he scored immediately, raising a hopeful chorus of cheers.

Sophomore forward Geoff Sather, effectively penetrating the Clark defense, sank a pair of fine baskets from in close, before guard Greg Birsky sank a twenty—five footer, tying the game at twenty—two.

As the teams traded baskets, Reese used his quick moves to produce a pair of slick baskets, tying the game, first at twenty—eight, and then at thirty.

As the half came to a close, Clark outscored the Panthers, 10—4, opening the lead to 40—34. Then, with one second to halftime, Zenon Smotrycz, the 6'9" Panther center who has been slowed by a foot injury, hit from in close, narrowing the lead to four, and ending the half on a positive note.

For the second half, the crowd grew from a slim one hundred and fifty, to a large and vocal five hundred. Both teams were flat when the half began, but after two minutes, the shots began to hit. With six minutes gone, the fleet Reese raced back on defense to block a shot and to start a Panther break which was converted by Birsky's smooth twenty—foot jumper.

Sather dominated the Middlebury offense for the next few minutes until, with 7:43 remaining to play, Birsky stole the ball and executed a spectacular lay-up. This play tied the score at sixty-three and brought loud cheers from the enthusiastic crowd.

After Birsky's play, the scoring by both teams slowed up. In the last seven and a half minutes, Clark scored only eight points, and Middlebury only six.

With two minutes left, Middlebury had completed their scoring, and the game was tied at sixty—nine.

When Clark gained possession of the ball, they went into a stall, which tactic brought loud boos and booed. With two seconds left, Clark guard Brendan Burgwinkle shot a ten footer which slipped through the hoop as the buzzer sounded. Burgwinkle, the smallest player on either team, raised his game point total to four with that shot.

Geoff Sather led the Panther scorers with 17, followed by Greg Birsky and Zenon Smotrycz with ten apiece. From the center position, Smotrycz and Jeff Eaddy, who has done an exceptional job spelling the injured senior, sank nine of their eleven shots.

The difference came in foul shooting, where Clark sank fifteen free throws to three for Middlebury.

WESLEYAN

The panthers opened the Wesleyan game as flat as a day—old beer, and could not score a single point until six and a half minutes had passed.

Fortunately, their defense was outstanding, as they prevented the hot—handed Cardinals from getting close to the hoop. They remained in the game for one reason: they held Wesleyan to only six points during their own dry spell.

At 6:30, freshman guard Peter Murray broke the ice with a twenty—foot jumper. As the defense continued to stave off the Wesleyan attack, the sputtering offense narrowed the score to 9—6. The fifth and sixth points came on a beautiful play when Greg Birsky dribbled into the key untouched to sink an eight—foot jumper while moving perpendicular to the basket in mid air.

The lead then opened to 13—6 as the Panthers went cold again. from the crowd until Wally Halas, the Clark coach, called a timeout with 1:10 remaining.

For the next minute and eight seconds, Clark dribbled the ball cautiously while the crowd yelled

With Smotrycz on the bench, Wesleyan dominated the boards, stopping most Middlebury drives after only one shot.

Over the next six minutes, the Cardinals opened up a ten point lead which they held until halftime, when they led 28—18.

Middlebury came out hot in the second half, led by the fine shooting and rebounding of Jeff Eaddy, who played one of his finest games in a Panther uniform.

By the time Wesleyan called a time out at 1:57, Middlebury had scored six points and cut the lead to five, 29—24.

The lead remained at five for about six minutes when a quick succession of Panther fouls enabled the visitors to open the lead to 41—32. Birsky quickly closed the lead to seven with a slick jumper from the top of the key.

Smotrycz and Sather combined to cut the lead to five before more Panther fouls helped the Cardinals open the lead to eleven with 5:41 left in the game.

His team trailing 51—42, Middlebury Coach Tom Lawson called a time out. But his Panthers never got back in the game. A good shot by Sather reduced the lead to five points, 59—54, with 0:40 showing on the clock, but it was already too late.

Each team scored one more field goal before Wesleyan ran out the clock to preserve their 61—56 margin of victory.

Greg Birsky played a good game, leading the Panther offense with 12 points, followed by Jeff Eaddy and Peter Murray, who netted 10 apiece. Eaddy also led Panther rebounders with six.

Once again, the Panthers outplayed their opponents on the floor, but the margin of victory was produced at the foul line. The Panthers outscored their opponents 52—36 from the floor, but they sank only four of eleven foul shots, while their opponents converted twenty-four of their thirty-five chances into scores.

Almost anything can happen in a basketball game, but its tough to beat an opponent when you give them thirty—five shots from the foul line.

Jerry Quinn #15 scores his first goal of the season against Wesleyan in the third period. Photo by Peter Duncan

Winter Track Gets Under Way

By DUSTY McNICHOL

In a move of surprising enthusiasm, the Middlebury winter track program got officially under way last week. Spurred on by the availability of sweat suits (an item previously withheld from team members until late April) and the acquisition of its own locker room, the team braved last week's blizzards to prepare for an upcoming contest at Williams College.

That meet, on Friday night, will provide a base from which to launch future training.

For now, the training is going rather smoothly. Long runs and intervals are on the menu for distance runners Chris Baldwin, Ted Mohlie, John MacKenna, and myself.

Sprinters, such as Adrian Benepe, Paul Turner, Lenny Wei, and others are treated to quick runs around the field house with a little distance thrown in to keep them healthy.

Weight men, Dave Parsons for example, have set up shop in the weight room and are building up for the season.

Pete Sundheim, the coach of the team, can only be optimistic as he looks to the season ahead. Although the distance team has lost several stars, Baldwin is still around, and Mohlie, a newcomer, promises to be excellent.

In the sprints, traditionally the team's weak spot, new talent, combined with the veteran forces, has built up quite an imposing squad. And the same strong field team that helped Middlebury through last season should do more of the same this year.

So, for the first time in years, Middlebury has the ability to win in every event. Running events, field events, specialities; there is some good in everything-except the pole vault. But that is being worked on.

A tough rookie has decided to give that event a try, and by the time the season rolls around he should be all set. All in all, it should be quite the successful season.

Frosh Hockey Wins Two of Three

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when Coach Daley pulled goaltender Tony Romano in a desperation move.

Meanwhile, the Blue could muster only three goals; one by Roger Nicholas from King and Fernberg, one by Donny Roach unassisted and one by Fernberg from Nicholas and King.

Goaltender Tony Romano played an outstanding game between the pipes turning aside 62 out of 69 shots.

After vacation the freshman Panthers had four days of hard work in preparation for Kimball Union Academy. And their hard work paid off too for they blew KUA out of the rink, by a score of 6-3.

The game was more of a runaway than the score indicates because Middlebury dominated every aspect of the game.

Goal scorers for the Panthers were Bob King with two goals and Blake Omlie, Mark Fernberg, Frank Wilson and Jeff Angers each with one.

On the following Wednesday a return grudge match was staged with Northwood Prep. Again the referees were kept busy tooting their whistles: they called a grand total of 25 penalties.

But the best part of the game was that the freshman Panthers erased a 3-0 first period deficit and went on to win the game 5-4.

Northwood took a 3-0 lead halfway through the first period but Middlebury came storming back with three goals of its own.

Andy Woolford from Eddie Russel and Frank Nelson, Jeff Angers from Nelson and Bob King then Angers again from Nelson and Mark Fernberg accounted for the 3-3 score at the end of the first period.

Both teams traded goals in the second period with Frank Nelson notching the goal for Middlebury. An assist on the goal went to Ned Hartfield.

But in the third period Frank Nelson scored a classic goal and the Panthers held on for the 5-4 victory. The goal was classic because after Nelson shot the puck, it went off of a Northwood player's stick, off of a defense man's forehead and into the net. Blake Omlie got the assist on this very strange but well timed goal.

Midd Girls Win 1, Lose 1

By DUSTY McNICHOL

I think we have the makings of a great rivalry here. Twice in four days the Middlebury Girls' Hockey Team played Dartmouth, and twice the girls played tight, exciting games. They lost the first contest 2-0 , but came back last Saturday to squeeze out a 1-0 win.

The first game, on Tuesday night, was held in Dartmouth's beautiful heated rink. It was an incredibly close contest, but Dartmouth did manage to pick up on a pair of Midd mistakes to take the game 2-0.

In the last ten minutes of the contest, however, the puck never left Dartmouth's end of the ice. Shot after Middlebury shot whistled past the Dartmouth net leaving the Green goalie more nervous than a tap dancer in a mine field, but luck was not with the girls.

Time ran out, and despite this last flurry, the Pink Panthers had come up short.

Four days later, following a bizarre series of events involving Providence College, Boston College, a Time Life Corp. photographer, a snowstorm, and several dozen phone calls, the Midd kids were on the ice again. Their opponents: Dartmouth College of course!

Once again the two teams squared off in a tight defensive battle. Goalies Spud Butterfield and Cappy Jackson covered up shots from opponent and teammate alike, while the offense kept plugging away.

And then finally, after two scoreless periods, a heroine arose for the girls.

Now, this heroine was no dope. Seeing that the Sports Illustrated photographer was ready, and noting that the crowd was on the edge of their seats, Mary Porter, the team's leading scorer, scored her most timely goal of the season.

Ten minutes into the third period Porter jammed the puck past the Dartmouth's goalie to push Middlebury into the lead. And from then on it was just a matter of defense.

With Spud playing solidly in the goal, and Alison Aiken covering up out front along with Zoe Peterson, Gwen Blaine, and others, the team was able to hang onto its lead. In fact, only a tremendous save by the Dartmouth goalie prevented Jeannie Collins from lengthening that lead when she stole the puck at center ice and skated in all alone. Her quick shot was knocked wide at the last moment.

Even the pressure applied when Dartmouth pulled its goalie with two minutes remaining was not too much, as the girls emerged with a thrilling 1-0 victory.

And now the girls relax until next Friday when they will meet Castleton State at home. That game is at 12:30, and it should be exciting.

And then at 7:00 on the twenty-fifth the girls will face off against Dartmouth for one more time. That game, also is at home, and it could be the best game of the season.

The improved offensive attack, the always solid defense, and the rivalry that has developed between the Green and the Blue will make this game more than a thriller. So be there! That's 7:00 on January 25.

Announcements!

BSU Presents George Kelsey January 21

George Kelsey, visiting professor at Bryn Mawr College, will be the guest lecturer 8 pm Friday, January 21 in Munroe Lounge. One of three special programs arranged by the Black Student Union, the lecture is open to the public. Kelsey will lecture from his book, **Racism and the Christian Understanding of Man**. The guest speaker, whose granddaughter, Holly Kelsey, is a sophomore at Middlebury, is professor emeritus of Christian Ethics at Drew University.

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Reception for Sophomore Guides

All sophomore guides are invited to a reception in the Abenathy Room of Starr Library on Thursday, January 20 from 4 pm to 5 pm. This invitation is extended to all guides, including those who were not assigned tours during the fall.

Audubon Society Meets to See Films

On Thursday, January 20, Peter Hubbard will present three movie films about ducks and their habitats for a meeting of the Otter Creek Audubon Society. The films were produced by Ducks Unlimited, a non-profit membership organization dedicated to the conservation of water fowl. Hubbard is an active member of this national organization and the founder of the Middlebury Chapter. The meeting will be held at 8 pm in the Swift Room of the Ilsley Library. The public is cordially invited.

MMC Needs Trip Leaders

MMC desperately needs trip leaders, both for weekends and for afternoons. If you can lead a trip, come to an organizing meeting tonight in the MMC office at 7:00 or contact Josh Schimel (Davis 2), or Steve Martel (Hadley 403).

Harlem Opera Society to Perform

On January 26 the Harlem Opera Society will perform the jazz opera "Solomon and Sheba" in the Castleton State College Fine Arts Center at Castleton, Vt. Admission is $4 for the general public and $2.50 for senior citizens and students. Tickets purchased in advance receive a 50-cent discount. Curtain time for the Wednesday evening performance is 8:15 pm. Call the Fine Arts Center box office at 468-5615 for more information.

Pres. Robison to Address Student Forum

College President Olin Robison will address the Student Forum on Sunday, January 23 at 7:30 pm in Munroe Faculty Lounge. All students are invited to attend this meeting.

WRMC-FM to Broadcast Hockey Games

WRMC—FM is pleased to announce that they will air all remaining Panther hockey games. Join Charlie McCarthy, Stewart Graham and Dave Halsey for all the exciting play—by—play as the Panthers bid for a post—season playoff berth in the ECAC Division Two.

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Robison, Students Square Off

By JIM LABE

Students fired qustions at College President Olin Robison and at times received harsh answers at the Student Forum meeting Sunday night.

Speaking before a crowded Munroe Lounge, Robison gave a brief opening address and conducted a discussion about the college community with students for more than two hours. He called for an increased feeling of community responsibility among students.

During the meeting, Robison revealed that a search committee had been formed to recruit new professors for the American Literature Department. He also challenged students to find anybody who runs an institution as openly as he has. He said there are very few secrets in his administration.

Robison also agreed to look into the lack of communication between the administration and students. He said he will consider the possibility of a weekly or monthly newsletter from Old Chapel. He also urged students with any kind of problem or complaint to talk with him during his open office hours on Mondays.

In a statement that surprised many students, Robison said, "I'm not in many things directly accountable to you" and said that he was only "one hundred percent full disclosure accountable to the Trustees."

Robison said "there are certain things which students shouldn't know" in response to a question about the recent suspicious resignation of Gordon Bridges. "It was an administrative decision of mine not to tell everything about that incident," he said. "I don't really have anything else to say." Gordon Bridges was the Director of Dining Halls and Dormitories at Middlebury for 22 years and resigned suddenly last November.

Much of the discussion centered around Bridges' resignation, which many students appeared angered about. Robison said that he felt that there was a great deal of natural curiosity about the resignation.

He said, "there's a sense among students that they have a right to know—they pay a lot of money." He then explained that "what you pay and what you get" are two different things. Robison told the students that he had made a judgment about the matter and that that was the end of it. "I have either behaved responsibly or I haven't," he said.

Robison was also asked several qustions about the future of the American Literature Department at Middlebury. Robison said that the American Literature Department "has been one of the real strong points" here at Middlebury. He assured students that Middlebury's commitment to American Literature remains unchanged.

When asked about the decision to deny Professor Conron tenure, Robison said he felt that "students are frustrated because they gave their counsel and advice and it was ignored in the final judgment." He said he felt confident that the new recruiting committee will hire some very competent and highly qualified people.

Robison also responded briefly to questions about the comprehensive student fee. "My guess is that tuition will continue to go up with the rate of inflation," he said. Robison also explained that the comprehensive fee accounts for only 60 to 70 percent of the actual operating budget of the College. The remainder must be made up from the flow of bequeaths and gifts to the College's endowment, which has recently been declining.

On many of the issues, Robison said that he understood most of the students' frustration. He told the students, "there's nothing I can do that's going to make you feel very better."

Robison began the meeting with a brief speech explaining his role as President and what he perceived as the role of the College. He then talked about the overall loss of confidence in institutions and the lack of communal responsibility.

Robison traced the gradual evolution of student control over their education and the institution itself. In the past, "the institution established as many rules, regulations, and commands as they felt necessary; it was a very arbitrary system" he said. However, over the past fifteen years "the institution has been stripped of this power."

As a result, "Middlebury and other institutions have been left with very few things to shape communal conduct," he said. Consequently, "communal relationships and responsibility have suffered." He called for a greater sense of consideration and concern for other people in the college community. He presented the students with numerous examples of this lack of concern that he had seen or heard about.

Robison ended his remarks by saying that "there is a growing consensus in this land and for the future that the administration and faculty should make the decisions. The student voice need not dominate each time."

Black Weekend Shared Culture

By CAROL HUBREGSEN

Authors Charles V. Hamilton, George Kelsey, Toni Morrison, and the Eddie Jefferson Quartet were the outstanding figures contributing to Middlebury College's Black Weekend this year, an event which ran from January 20 through the 23. Sponsored annually by the Black Students' Union, the weekend was designed to share aspects of black culture with the Middlebury campus and town.

The weekend was also used by the admissions department to interview 29 minority applicants and to acquaint them with Middlebury College.

Professor Charles V. Hamilton, author of **Black Power: The Politics of Liberation in America**, opened the weekend last Thursday afternoon with a lecture, "Black Power Revisited." Hamilton, who called black power "a struggle for redefinition," pointed out that without the black vote, Ford would be serving another term.

Hamilton also discussed his hopes for the emergence of a new kind of black leadership. He encouraged a local leadership where the leaders are known personally by their electorate, leaders who give their constituents a reason to support them, and who "thrive on performance, not on pronouncement." Hamilton added that he hoped the public would not measure Carter's committment to blacks' rights and needs "by the number of blacks' pictures he hangs in the White House."

Ms. Toni Morrison, author of **Sula** and **The Bluest Eye**, spoke to a capacity audience in Munroe Lounge Saturday afternoon. The major concern of her lecture, "The Humane Scholar," was the current state of scholarship. She maintained that teaching today equates human beings with commodities and teaches students to make decisions on this kind of basis. Racism, sexism, classicism are all considered sources of the inhumane, "but it is the deplorable inability to become the other," continued Morrison, "this is the real flaw."

Dr. George Kelsey lectured Friday evening on "A Christian Understanding of Human Rights." He is the author of **Racism and the Christian Understanding of Man**.

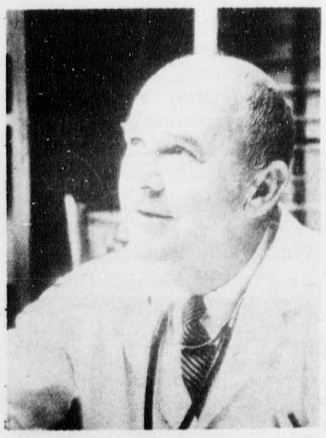
Black Weekend's concluding event was the jazz workshop and concert by the Eddie Jefferson Quartet on Sunday afternoon. Their program, which was an array of different types of jazz including compositions by James Moody, Coleman Hawkins, Arnett Cobbs, John Coltrane, and others, received a standing ovation. Musicians invited to students to come on stage and perform with them.

There were several social events this weekend also for recruits and the entire college. Saturday night the B.S.U. brought a N.Y.C. group, Freewind, to perform at the school. Other private parties were held for the visitors and a lunch Saturday afternoon included the recruits, members of the B.S. U. and other students from campus organizations and sports.

The purpose of Black Weekend is a double one, according to the president of the Black Students' Union, Bruce Evans. Since it is done in conjunction with the admissions department, the weekend's primary objective is recruitment. Middlebury competetes with Harvard, Yale, Williams, Bates, Bowdoin, and other schools for qualified minority applicants. This weekend has been one effective way to attract people. Admissions pays half fare for many students who want to come, but can not afford it. This year's group was mostly from the Atlantic Coast with students as far south as Atlanta, Georgia and as far west as Columbus, Ohio.

Bruce Evans said that many people feel Black Weekend is "making a facade" for visitors. Dean McKinney also agreed that the school "feeds them" to a degree. But Evans argued that the students who visit are still able to recognize the "academic and social pressures" at Middlebury and are still "impressed with the school over all." The B.S.U. also extended all visitors an invitation to visit any other regular weekend.

The second objective of Black Weekend is the socio-cultural exchange of ideas. Evans said that he felt the B.S.U. had brought a "little bit of everything" to the campus this weekend and stressed that it was for the whole campus and town to enjoy and experience. He explained that the B.S.U. has been criticized for being limited in its goals and contact. He offered Black Weekend as a demonstration of the B.S.U.'s larger scope and concerns. "We do function here. We are beneficial to the B.S.U. - and to Middlebury, the campus, town, the community as a whole."



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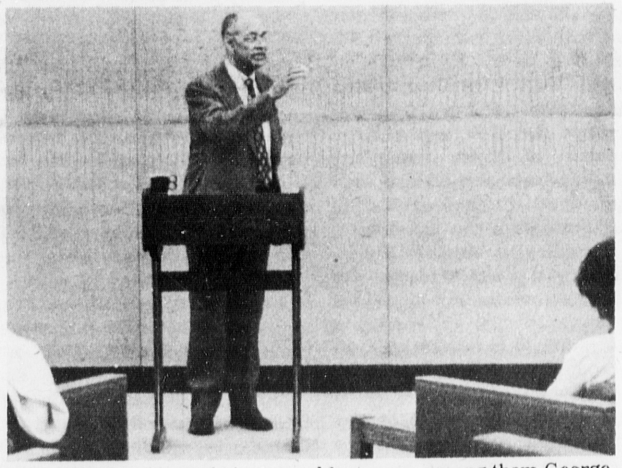

Black Weekend brought in several lecturers, among them George Kelsey. Richard Tarlov.

George Parton Dies

By JIM LABE

Former Middlebury College Medical Director George Frederick Parton, Jr. died at his home in Cornwall last Wednesday, January 19. He was 56 years old. More than 400 people, including an estimated 150 students, attended a memorial service held in his honor Saturday.

Parton served as Medical Director for nine years, and was the first Medical Director at Middlebury College. He retired last Spring because of illness, and was replaced by Dr. William Barrett.

Parton also worked at Porter Medical Center for seven years, and became President of the center in 1974. Before coming to Middlebury in 1967 he served in Bellevue Hospital and Hartford Hospital, and maintained his own practice in Glastonbury, Connecticut.

"His concern for humanity knew no bounds" said T. Richardson Miner, Assistant to the President, in describing Dr. Parton. Miner was a close friend of Dr. Parton and delivered a brief opening address at the memorial service. Parton always had "a friendly word and an infectious smile for all," he went on to say.

Many of the Middlebury students at the service seemed to agree. Throughout his nine years of service to Middlebury College, Parton saw thousands of students.

"Middlebury College is a better place because of our much loved friend, George Parton," Middlebury President Olin C. Robison said. "This kind and humane man gave freely of himself to all around him. He cared, not just for the illness of our students, but for the well-being of the whole community. His gentle spirit and sympathetic counseling were always a healing and restoring force at Middlebury College."

Parton was born August 31, 1920 in Plainfield, New Jersey. He graduated from Washington & Lee University Medical College in 1945. He also served as a Captain in the U.S. Army Medical Corps from 1946 to 1948.

Dr. Charles Parton, brother of the late Dr. Parton, also spoke at the memorial service. The memorial service ended with the singing of "Peace I Ask of Thee O River," a Parton family song.